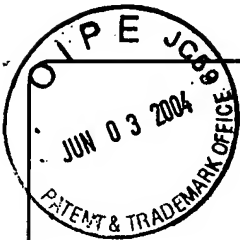


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In response to the Office Action mailed May 24, 2004, hereinafter "Office Action", Applicant amends his claims, submits remarks, and requests reconsideration of his application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper.

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